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TAGS: CASC (RANDY HENDRIX AND WILLIAM RUPERT)

SUBJ: W/W: CONSULAR VISIT

1. VISIT MAY 7 TO AMCITS PRISONERS RANDY HENDRIX AND WILLIAM RUPERT AT EL ASNAM PRISON, FOUND THEM BOTH IN GOOD HEALTH AND WITH GOOD MORALE. THEY WERE PLEASED THAT AS OF RESULT OF PREVIOUS CONSULAR VISIT, THEY HAVE BEEN GIVEN JOBS IN PRISON'S CARPENTRY SHOP. HENDRIX STATED THAT MEDICINE PROVIDED DURING SAME VISIT HAD ELIMINATED OBVIOUS SIGN OF INFECTION BUT ASKED, AND PRISON DIRECTOR AGREED, FOR LAB TEST TO VERIFY THAT ACTUAL MEDICAL PROBLEM HAD BEEN CORRECTED.

2. CONSUL DELIVERED LARGE PACKET CONTAINING BOOKS, VITAMINS, ETC., MAILED BY RUPERT FAMILY, AS WELL AS SUPPLY OF FOOD PURCHASED LOCALLY TO PRISON GUARDS FOR INSPECTION END SUBSEQUENT DISTRIBUTION. PRISON DIRECTOR PERMITTED CONSUL TO GIVE PRISONERS LETTERS RECEIVED AT CONSULATE FOR THEM.

3. HENDRIX AND RUPERT SAID THAT THEY HAVE RECEIVED NO MAIL AT PRISON AND THAT ALL LETTERS THEY HAD WRITTEN HAD BEEN RETURNED TO THEM BECAUSE LETTERS WERE IN ENGLISH. PRISON DIRECTOR SHOWED CONSUL LETTER FROM ALGERIAN MINISTRY OF JUSTICE STATING THAT ALL OUTGOING MAIL MUST BE IN FRENCH. CONSUL ADVISED PRISONER TO WRITE IN FRENCH, AS BEST THEY COULD, AND

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SAID DEPT. WOULD ATTEMPT TO DETERMINE IF FRIENDS

AND RELATIVES HAD IN FACT BEEN WRITING TO THEM AT PRISON. PRISON DIRECTOR PROMISED TO SEE THAT PRISONERS LETTERS WERE IN FUTURE MAILED, PROVIDED THEY WERE IN FRENCH.

4. HENDRIX AND RUPERT ASKED THAT RELATIVES BE REQUESTED TO SEND MORE VITAMINS AS WELL AS SUBSCRIPTIONS TO NON CONTROVERSIAL MAGAZINES, I.E.: THOSE ON CARPENTRY, AUTOMOBILES, TRAVEL. NEWS AND OPINION MAGAZINES MAY NOT BE RECEIVED.  
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